Minutes of the <u>Regular Work Session</u> of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Monday, January 20, 2015, 4:00 PM Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips
Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire
Alderman John Clark
Alderman Tom C. Parham
Alderman Tom Segelhorst

<u>City Administration</u>
Jeff Fleming, City Manager
J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney
James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.

ROLL CALL: By Deputy City Recorder Marshall.

- 3. PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATE. Parks and Recreation Manager Kitty Frazier gave a presentation on the facilities and programs available to citizens. Mayor Phillips then read a letter commending employee Russ Hickman's service with the parks and recreation department.
- 4. WORK SESSION TICKLER. Assistant City Manager for Administration Chris McCartt gave an update on the status of Brickyard Park, noting the project is being fast-tracked to be operational by spring. Fire Chief Dye commented on the progress of Fire Station 6 and the status of the ladder truck. Alderman Segelhorst pointed out the city is in the process of standardizing the injury reports, noting there were two injuries in December.
- 5. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE JANUARY 20, 2015 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager Fleming, members of staff and community members gave a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:
- VI.AA.1 Public Hearing for Annexation Annual Plan of Services Report (AF: 10-2015). City Planner Corey Shepherd gave details on this item and answered questions from the board. City Manager Fleming provided information on legislation that will allow deannexation of property. He pointed out the plan of services would have to be incomplete before it is even an option, noting all of the city's is on schedule.
- VI.D.2 Purchase of Real Property from Jerry B. and Patsy Byerley for Stormwater Control in the Reedy Creek Drainage Basin (AF: 18-2015). City Manager Fleming stated this would be paid for out of stormwater funds. He also noted that with this purchase, the city would own all of the property on that side of John B. Dennis Highway.

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- VI.D.3 Letter of Agreement with First Baptist Church Related to Phase II of the Sullivan Street Roadway Improvements (AF: 14-2015). City Manager Fleming gave details on this item, discussing the removal of the traffic signal and installation of a traffic calming device. Assistant City Manager McCartt stated they hope to get started within the next twelve months. Assistant City Manager McReynolds provided further details on the project and the highest level of safety for pedestrians. Some discussion followed.
- VI.D.6 License Agreement with TDOT Related to Right-of-Way Use for SR 126 (Wilcox Drive) Sidewalk Improvements (AF: 19-2015). Assistant City Manager McReynolds discussed this item, noting it was the last phase from downtown to the Aquatic Center. He stated there would be a rail.
- VI.D.7 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Emergency Communications District of the City (AF: 11-2015). City Manager Fleming explained this agreement outlines how expenses will be shared. Police Chief Quillin pointed out the building will be finished sooner than it will be occupied.
- VI.D.8 Option for a Ground Lease and the Cooperation Agreement with the Kingsport Housing and Redevelopment Authority for the Lee School Property (AF: 21-2015). City Attorney Billingsley provided information on this item. Mr. Joel Conkin, attorney for the KHRA gave further details, noting that in order to qualify for the award, they must be able to show site control of the property by either owning or having the ability to acquire it.
- VI.D.10 Detailed Bond Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$20,200,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the City of Kingsport, Tennessee (AF: 24-2015). City Manager Fleming explained the purpose of this bond resolution is the equivalent of refinancing and saving 1.4 million dollars in interest. City Recorder Demming provided further details and answered questions.

BOARD COMMENT. None.

PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

8. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

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Mayor